

IN THE CLAIMS:

Please cancel Claims 1, 2, 6 and 8-11 without prejudice or disclaimer of the subject matter recited therein.

Please amend Claims 3-5 and 7 as follows.

Claims 1 and 2. (Cancelled).

3. (Currently Amended) A device according to Claim [[1]] Z, wherein the first electrode is disposed at opposite two side surfaces of the closed space.

4. (Currently Amended) A device according to Claim [[1]] Z, wherein the first electrode is disposed at four side surfaces of the closed space.

5. (Currently Amended) A device according to Claim [[1]] Z, wherein the first electrode is disposed at opposite two side surfaces of the closed space, and at other opposite two side surfaces of the closed space, a side surface electrode for cancelling an influence of an electric field, on an adjacent pixel, generated by the first and second electrodes is disposed.

Claim 6. (Cancelled).

7. (Currently Amended) [[A]] An electrophoretic display device  
according to Claim 6, comprising:  
a first substrate and a second substrate which are disposed with a  
spacing therebetween;  
a partition wall disposed in the spacing;  
electrophoretic particles sealed in a closed space, defined by the first  
and second substrates and the partition wall,  
a first electrode disposed at a side surface of the closed space; and  
a second electrode disposed at a bottom surface of the closed space,  
with distribution of the electrophoretic particles in the closed space  
being changed according to a voltage between the first and second electrodes to effect display,  
wherein each of the first and second electrodes is coated with an  
insulating layer at a surface thereof,

wherein the first electrode has an area equal to an area of the second electrode, and a first distance from the first electrode to a surface of ~~an~~ the insulating layer disposed on the first electrode is equal to a second distance from the second electrode to a surface of ~~an~~ the insulating layer disposed on the second electrode, and

wherein when an intersection line is taken as a line of intersection of an extended plane of an electrode surface of the first electrode and an extended plane of an electrode surface of the second electrode, a distance from the intersection line to an edge of the first

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electrode surface closest to the intersection line is equal to a distance from the intersection line to an edge of the second electrode surface closest to the intersection line.

Claims 8-11. (Cancelled).

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